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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to express my opinion of the recent antitrust settlement between Microsoft and the US Department of Justice. I am happy to see that the case is being settled because I believe it has dragged out long enough, to the detriment of the IT sector and the American Economy.

Bill Gates created an innovative and vision-oriented giant that has done wonders for our nation. Microsoft should not be punished for being successful. It is my opinion that there is a direct correlation between the economies woes of the nation and the litigation between the government and Microsoft. Under this settlement, Microsoft will share information about the internal workings of Windows with its competitors, and will allow them to place their own software and programs on the Windows operating system.

The settlement represents the best available solution to this seemingly interminable lawsuit. Therefore, I support the settlement, and look forward to a day when this case is a distant memory.

Sincerely,

Clifford Rosborough

cc: Senator Rick Santorum